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TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1920.

WHAT IT COSTS TO RUN THE COUNTRY

The Government estimates of what it will require to carry on the business of the Dominion for the coming year were presented to Parliament yesterday. Of course, the estimates will be brought down later, which will considerably swell the amount needed. Last year the Government spent \$30,825,251, a large part of which was in connection with the war expenditure. However, with the war expenditure much reduced, the estimates call for an expenditure this year of \$25,000,000, the estimated revenue amounts to \$25,000,000. The difference, we understand, it is proposed to make up by the Government launching another loan, which the public will be asked to take up, thus plunging the country deeper in debt. The public debt is at present over two billion dollars, and the interest on this debt amounts to the large sum of \$12,500,000. The estimated deficit of \$25,000,000 is to be met; land settlement will cost \$50,000,000, civil re-establishment \$24,000,000, and demobilization \$25,000,000. It has been announced that the Government is to demobilize our navy, discharge the men and sell the warships. The fact that the navy estimates have been so large has led to the conclusion that the Government has in view some new move in this department, perhaps having some relation to the proposals of Admiral Jellicoe, Toronto harbor improvements, but there is nothing for Hamilton's harbor. The situation presented by these figures is not an enviable one for the country. It shows that the country is to have a hard time of it getting back to normal conditions. Instead of borrowing money to pay our debts, the Government is now endeavor by some honest means to raise the money with which to meet our obligations. Economy and thrift, backed by a successful war effort, should be adopted as the policy of the Government. High taxes do not always produce revenue.

THE OPEN ROAD TO THE SEA

The United States Congress heard an appeal last week for the passage of a bill for the development of the St. Lawrence route to the sea. A Republican representative from New York, named A. P. Nelson, advocated that the development of this waterway would solve the transportation problem of the West. Nelson said the key to the fuel and power crisis of the eastern seaboard. He gave estimates of engineers some years ago that the cost of the St. Lawrence route for a 20-foot channel, and \$142,498,627 for a 30-foot channel. He estimated that the cost now for a 20-foot channel for the St. Lawrence would be about the same as the cost of three battleships, \$120,000,000.

The State of New York, he said, would gain in hydro-electric power more than it could possibly lose in carriages along the St. Lawrence River, many of which would go to the State of New York. "If within ten years the major portion of the available horsepower could be utilized at the present prices of coal, the total cost of the entire project would be saved in two years," he said. The project of removing the St. Lawrence barrier to give the Great Lakes access to the sea is not an expenditure to encourage navigation, but an investment in hydro-electric power that promises to pay large dividends. The Great Lakes drainage basin, he declared, about 1,200,000 horsepower could be developed, only about one-fourth this amount having been developed to date.

The necessity for coal conservation be considered an important reason for developing the St. Lawrence for hydro-electric power. The coal barrier to the shipping route could easily be removed. If it was profitable to send ships into the North Sea and the Baltic sea, he said, it would be profitable to send steamers direct to the Great Lakes. Atlantic ports were breaking down under the strain of the great traffic placed upon them, and development elsewhere was necessary. Moreover, development of the St. Lawrence water power would relieve the situation in New England, where there is difficulty in obtaining coal.

THE NEWSPAPER A NECESSITY

One of the functions of the Board of Commerce is to regulate or reduce the price of cost of the necessities of life. There is trouble in the newspaper proprietors and proprietors of the pulp mills which

manufacture newsprint for the papers. The paper manufacturers can sell their product for a higher price in the United States than Canadian newspapers can afford to pay for paper. In fact, only about ten cents a ton of the newsprint supply is used in Canada. All the rest goes to the United States. The mill owners want the same price in Canada as they get in the States, and the Canadian newspapers cannot pay that and live; not a few have suspended publication already, and quite a number of amalgamations of newspapers have taken place, so as to save them from extinction. In the circumstances the newspaper proprietors appealed to the Board of Commerce for an order compelling paper manufacturers to supply their paper at the price of the pulp, a much larger price than formerly. The mill owners are contesting this appeal.

In the discussion before the Board on the case last week the question came up as to whether or not a newspaper was a necessity of life. Mr. Biggar, for the newspapers, stated that the Commerce Board had advised with paper at the price of the pulp, a much larger price than formerly. The mill owners are contesting this appeal. The Board of Commerce had advised with paper at the price of the pulp, a much larger price than formerly. The mill owners are contesting this appeal.

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ALIENS IN THE WEST

The annual report of the Northwest Mounted Police for the year 1919 has been published. The half military-half police organization has been changed into a Dominion police but the report deals with the body under the name of the Mounted Police. The report deals with the activities of the police in connection with the Winnipeg strike and also with the aliens in the West. The report states that the number of aliens in the West has increased since the war. The report also states that the number of aliens in the West has increased since the war. The report also states that the number of aliens in the West has increased since the war.

EDITORIAL NOTES

What does the demobilization of the Canadian Navy mean? See Canada first. Travelers are not wanted in Europe just now. A fatal riot in Dublin is another indication of the state of affairs in unhappy Ireland. The rural population of Ontario is declining. Can the Drury decline do anything to check the decline? The bank clerks throughout the Province have banded themselves together to better their position. The first thing that they ask is a 25 per cent. increase in their salaries. The United States is suffering owing to the rate of exchange. Its exports are falling off and will continue to fall as long as the dollar is at its present rate. It seems to be a question of whether the rate is to its old rate.

THE HIGH COST OF RUNNING THE COUNTRY

The high cost of running this country would be much reduced were the length of the speeches in Parliament cut down. It is said to take \$1,000 an hour to run the House. Some of the speeches cost thousands of dollars. It turns out that the announcement

that Sir Robert Borden was bringing home with him a new fiscal policy for the country was a mistake. He is said to be bringing back a new fiscal policy for the country. We still wonder.

We question the wisdom of the advice that emanated from Ottawa: the other week asking the housewives to live in a store of sugar against the prevailing time. The result may be that people bought the sugar and when those who cannot afford to do that want sugar in the prevailing season they will find it scarce and dear.

The Board of Control had the question of salary increase before it. The Board has decided to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Control by 10 per cent. The Board has also decided to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Control by 10 per cent. The Board has also decided to increase the salaries of the members of the Board of Control by 10 per cent.

The Hon. Mr. Nairn, the Attorney-General, has ordered an investigation into the case of the man Boy, charged with having carried knowledge of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. The Times has assumed on this case is that the girl was the victim of some scandal. He has not been punished. He deserves pay. If Boy was innocent, the duty of the authorities was to find out who committed the crime, and have him indicted. Are the authorities taking any steps to have the criminal brought to justice? The magistrate declares that he was not justified in convicting on the testimony before him. But further police investigation might have brought forth evidence that either would have convicted or acquitted.

OTHER PAPERS VIEWS

HE SUFFERS, TOO (Buffalo Courier). Women must suffer to be beautiful. A Frenchman once said, but what the so-called beauty is worth.

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It is to be feared that, instead of helping the cause of Irish freedom, the Senate reservation will simply tend to increase it. It will increase the number of Irish in England and only serve to increase the number of Irish in England and only serve to increase the number of Irish in England.

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